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# Your key to smarter sample preparation and analysis

#### **Ordering and Pricing**

Prices valid from 1st April 2024. This price list supersedes all previous price lists.

All prices exclude VAT.

Delivery is £18.50 per order up to 25Kg. Timed deliveries are £27.50

Orders containing items marked with will attract a delivery charge of £37.50

There is no minimum or maximum order.

We accept payment by credit card.

Payment is due 30 days from shipment.

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# Welcome to our 2024 consumables price list

We offer 24/48 hour delivery as standard from our UK warehouse for the majority of consumable items. Most morning orders are despatched the same day for delivery the following working day.

The few items not carried in stock are marked with this icon: They can be ordered very easily and will be delivered within 2-4 weeks. If you cannot find what you're looking for just contact us:



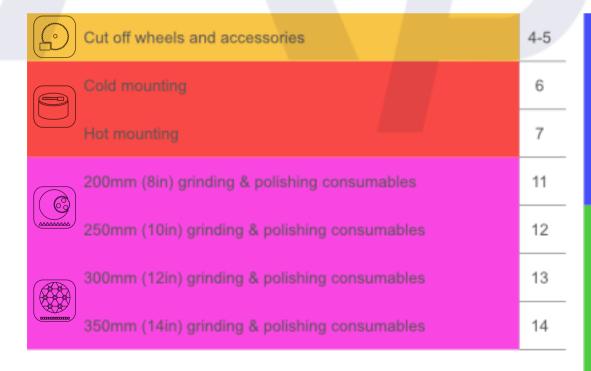
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In addition to our consumables we offer a complete range of equipment needed for sample preparation, testing and analysis. If you'd like to discuss how to improve the speed and consistency of your sample preparation route and reduce your costs, we'd be delighted to help.

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## **Cut-off Wheels**

#### **Precision Cut-off wheels**

Actual size: 150 x 0.5 x 12.7mm

Aka-Cut 400 (50-400HV)	5pcs	11151110	£122
Aka-Cut 700 (150-700HV)	5pcs	11151140	£122
Aka-Cut 1000 (500-1000HV)	5pcs	11151170	£122

#### **Diamond Cut-off wheels**

Metal bonded (1pc)

125 x 0.5 x 12.7	AP101250	£275
150 x 0.5 x 12.7	AP101550	£340
175 x 0.6 x 12.7	AP101850	£390

#### Resin bonded (1pc)

200 x 1.5 x 32	AP102060	£340
250 x 1.5 x 32	AP102560	£47
300 x 1.5 x 32	AP103060	£52

#### **Superabrasive Cut-off wheels**

Actual size: 152 x 0.8 x 12.7mm

Aka-Cut 50	1pc	18153110	£357	Electroplated diamond. Low concentration
Aka-Cut 1500	1pc	16153150	£404	Resin bond CBN. High concentration
Aka-Cut 2000	1pc	17153110	£337	Metal bond diamond. Medium concentration
Aka-Cut 3000	1pc	17153150	£305	Resin bond diamond. High concentration

<b>Cut-off wheels</b>	250mm	250 x 1.5 x 32mm 1252150 £238	300mm	(12in)	350mm	(14in)	400mm	(16in)	432mm (17in)		
Actual size	254 x 1.7	x 32mm	305 x 2.2 x 32mm		354 x 2.6 x 32mm		406 x 3.2 x 32mm		Note: Prices for for boxes of		
Aka-Cut 500HV (10pcs) 11251140 £153		11301140	£183	11351140	£212	11411140	£373	101 00000			
Actual size	250 x 1.5 x 32mm		300 x 2.0 x 32mm		350 x 2.5 x 32mm		400 x 3.0 x 32mm		432 x 3.0 x 32mm		
Aka-Cut Fe50 (10pcs)	11252150	£238	11302150	£314	11352150	£439	11402150	£588	11432150	£397	
Aka-Cut Fe60 (10pcs)	11252160	£238	11302160	£314	11352160	£439	11402160	£588	11432160	£397	
Aka-Cut NF10 (10pcs)	11252110	£238	11302110	£314	11352110	£439	11402110	£588	11432110	£397	
Aka-Cut Ti20 (10pcs)	11252120	£238	11302120	£314	11352120	£439	11402120	£588	11432120	£397	

#### **Cutting accessories**

Aka-Cool - Concentrate for recirculation units

Aka-Cool 1I 19201015 £57 5I 19201017 £185

Aka-NoFoam - Anti-foaming concentrate for recirculation units

Aka-NoFoam 500ml 19501013 £67















# **Recommended Cut-off Wheels**

Hardness Range	50-250HV	100-350HV	250-500HV	350-700HV	500-1000HV	
Copper and Copper Alloys	Yes					
Ceramic Capacitors						Yes
Pure Titanium		Yes				
Aluminium Alloys	Yes					
Plasma Spray Coated Parts	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	
Coated Sintered Carbides						Yes
Stainless and Duplex Steel				Yes	Yes	
Titanium Alloys		Yes				
Carbon Composites						Yes
Materials of Hardness 50-150 HV	Yes					
Materials of Hardness 400-700 HV				Yes	Yes	
Hard Materials 700-2000 HV					Yes	Yes
Electronic Components	Yes					Yes
Cast Iron				Yes	Yes	
Zinc Coated Steel			Yes	Yes	Yes	
Materials of Hardness 150-400 HV			Yes			
Nitrided Steel				Yes	Yes	
Surface Hardened Steel			Yes			
Superalloys with Diffusion Coatings				Yes	Yes	
Superalloys			Yes	Yes		
Ceramic Thermal Spray Coated Parts						Yes
Cut-off Wheel	Aka-Cut NF10	Aka-Cut Ti20	Aka-Cut 500HV	Aka-Cut Fe50	Aka-Cut Fe60	Diamond















# **Cold Mounting**

#### **Mounting Epoxies and Resins**

Aka-Resin Epoxy Lic	quid			Aka-Cure	Quick H	Hardener -	30min d	cure @ 80°	
Aka-Resin Liquid	11	25101115	£65	Aka-Cure Q	uick 👲	500ml	2510°	1223 £64	
Aka-Cure Slow Hard	lener - 8-	12hrs cure	@ 20°C		* Disco	ounted price as Ak	ka-Cure Slo	w-2 is discontinued.	
Aka-Cure Slow 👲	500ml	25101213	£70	Aka-Cure SI	ow 2*	500ml	25102	2213 £48	
Aka-Clear-2 Acrylic F	Resin Sys	stem - 8min	cure @	room tem	perature				
Aka-Clear-2 Powder	1kg	25202311	£111	Aka-Clear-2	Powder	5kg	25202	2313 £411	
Aka-Clear-2 Liquid 👲	11	25202415	£104						
Moulds and Acce	essories								
Polyethylene - 10 pc	s	25mm		30mm		40mm	1	50mm	
Aka-Mould		73112510	£33	73113010	£38	73114010	£46	73115010	£51
Silicone Rubber - 10	pcs	25mm		1.25"		40mm		50mm	
Circular		S10A01	£75	S10A02	£80	S10A03	£87	S10A04	£95
Silicone Rubber - 10	pcs	20 x 55 x 27	mm	40 x 70 x 23	3mm	50 x 100 x 2	25mm	(L x W x D)	
Rectangular		S10B00	£137	S10B01	£145	S10B02	£150		
Mould Release Ager	nt		Clips						
Aka-NoStick Powder 50g	2190110	5 £92	Aka-Cl	lip St. Steel	100pcs	73210860	£54		
Aka-NoStick Liquid 250m	l 2590120	01 £27	Aka-Cl	lip Trio	100pcs	AK8810	£30		
Cold Mounting Mixin	ng Kit								
200 cups, 200 sticks	7351107	75 £92							

Our epoxies have perfect adhesion and minimal shrinkage. These cured resins have no environmental risk. This makes them ideal for both routine work and for embedding difficult specimens such as plasma sprayed coatings or porous surfaces.

We provide resin and hardener separately so you can order only what you need.

Aka-Resin Liquid is a low viscosity, transparent epoxy resin. One of the Aka-Cure hardeners is required in addition to the liquid.

Our acrylic resin consists of a powder and a liquid.

Aka-Clear-2 is a fast curing, transparent embedding system. It cures in 8mins and produces totally clear, bubble free mount without having to use a pressure pot. Mixing of the two components is not critical: if a slightly thinner mix is required a little extra liquid can be added without any adverse effect on the cured mount.















# **Hot Mounting**

We offer a range of hot mounting compounds for use in hot embedding presses. These products are available in 1kg to 25kg packs.

- Aka-Resin Epoxy a black, mineral-filled compound for excellent embedding and edge retention.
- Aka-Resin Acrylic a crystal clear, transparent, thermoplastic resin.
- Aka-Resin Melamine a white, mineral-filled compound offering excellent edge retention. We believe this to be even better than the Epoxy.
- Aka-Resin Phenolic a black, wood-filled compound for economic embedding or backfilling.
- Aka-Resin Phenolic 2 similar to Aka-Resin Phenolic but requiring a longer heating time.
- Aka-Resin Phenolic SEM conductive for use in an SEM.

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Aka-Resin Epoxy	1kg	21101521	£97	7.5kg	21101524	£537			
Acrylic - clear thermop	lastic re	sin							
Aka-Resin Acrylic	1kg	21201001	£66	7.5kg	21201004	£393			
Melamine - white, min	eral-filled	d resin offer	ing ama	azing edge	retention				
Aka-Resin Melamine	1kg	21301511	£71	7.5kg	21301514	£407	25kg	21301516	£995
Phenolic - black, wood	d-filled, e	conomy val	lue resir	า					
Aka-Resin Phenolic	2.5kg	21501122	£68	7.5kg	21501124	£147			
Black Bakelite	25kg	AP112007	£199						
Phenolic - 2 - black, w	vood-fille	d, economy	/ value ı	resin			NEW!		
Aka-Resin Phenolic - 2	2.5kg	21502122	£55	7.5kg	21502124	£116			
Phenolic SEM - black,	graphite	e-filled, cond	ductive i	resin					
SEM Conductive Phenolic	1kg	21501721	£75	7.5kg	21501724	£418			















# Metallurgy isn't ALL about consumables.

# We supply preparation equipment too!

# Cut-off machines, mounting presses, grinder/polishers....



250mm Wet Abrasive Cut Off Machine - Manual Twin Vices Max Cutting Diameter - 60mm 60L Coolant Tank



Hydraulic mounting press 25 - 50mm samples

#### Mopao 2



200 - 250mm wheel diameter options Variable Speed 0 - 1000/1400 rpm

#### Iqiege 6100S



300 - 350mm Wet Abrasive Cut Off Machine - Auto/ Manual Twin Vices Max Cutting Diameter - 100mm 60L Coolant Tank

#### Mopao 4



200/250/300mm wheel diameter options Variable Speed 0 - 1000 rpm

#### TopTech P25G



200-250mm semi-automatic grinder polisher Single sample or multiple sample holders A doser is available















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# **Grinding & Polishing**

#### Aka-Piatto

Aka-Piattos are a series of polymer-coated steel, diamond grinding discs suitable for magnetic systems. They are colour coded in grit sizes P80-P4000.

They have a number of advantages over grinding papers. They can:

- Replace several grinding stages
- Replace 100-200 pieces of grinding paper
- Create fully plane samples avoiding half-moon effects
- Last longer due to the wear compensation design
- Maintain absolute edge retention due to the diamond abrasive being bonded to the disc
- Plane and fine-grind all materials harder than 150HV, although for materials above 400HV we recommend the use of a long life dressing stick (AP9885).

#### Aka-Piatto+

Aka-Piatto+ are a series of Piatto discs with double the diamond concentration used on Aka-Piattos. They have an improved lifetime and produce a finer surface finish on brittle samples such as cermets and ceramics due to the lower specific pressure.

They share all the other features of Aka-Piattos such as colour-coding, wear compensated design and the 3 small tabs for easy exchange. Aka-Piatto+ discs need to be dressed with a dressing stick before first use and, depending on the material, once in a while during use.

We recommend the dressing stick AP9885.

#### Aka-Allegran & Aka-Largan

Aka-Allegran & Aka-Largan are rigid fine grinding/polishing discs. Built in abrasive is released when diamond suspension or spray is added during preparation. This unique abrasive system results in high removal rates, perfect planeness and a very long life. Discs are delivered ready to use and require no maintenance.

Aka-Largan 9 is used for fine grinding of soft materials in the range 50HV to 400HV. Diamond suspension or spray in grain sizes 15 to 3µm is added during preparation.

Aka-Allegran 9 is used with 15 to 3µm diamond for fine grinding materials harder than 450HV. It will replace grinding steps from P320-P1200 in a single step.

Aka-Allegran 6 is recommended when an optimal balance between material removal and fine surface finish is required. It is the most universal disc in the range. It provides fast fine grinding of most materials with a hardness above 150HV using 9 to 3µm diamonds. It will replace the traditional grinding steps from P320-P1200 with one single step.

Aka-Allegran 3 can also be used with 15 to 3µm diamond for fine grinding materials with a hardness above 150HV. It also replaces P320-P1200 in a single step. Used with 6µm diamond it will produce perfectly flat samples ready for final polishing with 1µm.

Aka-Allegran 1 is used for polishing material with a hardness above 150HV. It can be used with diamonds as small as 0.1µm resulting in outstanding planeness.

#### **Rhaco Grit Abrasive Papers**

Our brand of plain abrasive grit papers, the Rhaco grit, are available in all standard sizes. Also available to special order in 9". Please contact us for prices.

Rhaco grit papers have several advantages over traditional SiC papers:

- Lasting 2-3 times longer than typical P80, P120, P180, P220, P320, P500 and P800 papers
- Providing better edge retention than usual P1000-P1200 papers
- Replacing self-adhesive paper when used with an Aka-Rhaco (see pages 11-13)















# **Polishing Cloths**

#### **Magnetic Polishing Cloths**

Our range of magnetic polishing cloths contain a thick polymer barrier that keeps lubricant and abrasive on the surface. This makes them more effective at removing material. The magnetic backing ensures easy placement and removal.

#### **Magnetic Adaption**

We have magnetic adaption to suit every situation.

Aka-Rhaco is a stainless steel disc with a soft adhesive polymer coating on one side. This creates a low tack finish which means that additional adhesive is not required. It lasts for over 200 applications and is perfect for grinding and polishing.

#### Use with:

- Rhaco grit instead of buying expensive PSA backed papers
- Aka-cloths without removing their liner. Simply lay the cloth on the Aka-Rhaco and you have a magnetic cloth. When the cloth is worn out simply replace it with another.

Aka-Rhaco Flex uses a soft magnetic polymer material in place of the stainless steel disc. Due to its lower magnetism it is only recommended for polishing or manual grinding.

Aka-Rhaco-PSA is a self adhesive version which is adhered directly onto a platen and will remain there until worn out.

### A Few Extras...

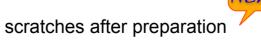
#### **Disc Cabinet**

Cabinet for the storage of up to 16 steel preparation discs with a diameter of 200 - 300 mm

**Disc Cabinet** 79000002 £852 1pc

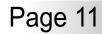
#### **Protection Caps**

Used to protect sample surfaces from scratches after preparation





		30mm ø		40mm ø		50mm ø	
Protection Cap	100pcs	78313060	£59	78314060	£64	78315060	£73

















**Hermes SiC Paper** 

100pcs 35820808

£98

# 200mm (8") Grinding & Polishing Consumables

	Aka-Piat	to (1pc)			Aka-Piatt	o+ (1pc)			Aka-Allegi	an (2pcs)		Rha	co-Grit P	Plain Pape	er :
80	Red-Brown	31212010	£98	80	Red-Brown	31412010	£135	9	Grey	33412022	£127	P80	50pcs	35320107	£35
120	Yellow-Ochre	31212020	£79	120	Yellow-Ochre	31412020	£104	6	Red	33412032	£116	P120	50pcs	35320207	£33
220	Green	31212030	£71	220	Green	31412030	£92	3	Blue	33412042	£116	P180	100pcs	35320258	£56
600	Blue	31212045	£71	600	Blue	31412045	£92	1	Buff	33412052	£116	P220	100pcs	35320308	£53
1200	Black	31212060	£71	1200	Black	31412060	£92					P320	100pcs	35320358	£53
2400	Pink	31212075	£90						Aka-Larga	an (2pcs)		P500	100pcs	35320408	£53
4000	White	31212090	£90					9	Grey	33212022	£116	P800	100pcs	35320508	£53
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Mag-I		42202013	£1	01	Ории							P4000	100pcs	35220908	£191

Mag-Plaran       42201013       £92       Fine grinding         Mag-Paran-S       42202013       £101       15-6μm         Mag-Silk       42204013       £105       Polishing         Mag-Daran       42202513       £92       6-1μm	
Mag-Silk 42204013 £105 Polishing	ng
Folishing	
Mag-Daran 42202513 £92 6-1μm	
Mag-Ramda 42203013 £72	
Mag-Moran 42205013 £97 Polishing	
Mag-Moran-U 42205113 £82 3μm	
Mag-Plural 42206013 £83	
Mag-Napal 42207013 £83 Fine polish	ng
Mag-Chemal 42209013 £101 1µm or less	

#### **Magnetic Adaption**

Aka-Rhaco	75151202	£96
Aka-Rhaco Flex	75152202	£77
Aka-Rhaco PSA	75153202	£77
Aka-Magnet	75110201	£36

Aka-Rhaco, Aka-Rhaco Flex and Aka-Rhaco PSA sold in packs of 2. Aka-Magnet sold in packs of 1

P2500















**Hermes SiC Paper** 

35825808 £126

100pcs

# 250mm (10") Grinding & Polishing Consumables

	Aka-Piat	to (1pc)			Aka-Piatt	o+ (1pc)			Aka-Alle	egran (2pcs)		Rha	co-Grit P	Plain Pape	er
80	Red-Brown	31212510	£107	80	Red-Brown	31412510	£145	9	Grey	33412522	£140	P80	50pcs	35325107	£50
120	Yellow-Ochre	31212520	£90	120	Yellow-Ochre	31412520	£123	6	Red	33412532	£127	P120	50pcs	35325207	£48
220	Green	31212530	£81	220	Green	31412530	£108	3	Blue	33412542	£127	P180	100pcs	35325258	£77
600	Blue	31212545	£81	600	Blue	31412545	£108	1	Buff	33412552	£127	P220	100pcs	35325308	£72
1200	Black	31212560	£81	1200	Black	31412560	£108					P320	100pcs	35325358	£72
2400	Pink	31212575	£105						Aka-La	rgan (2pcs)		P500	100pcs	35325408	£72
4000	White	31212590	£105					9	Grey	33212522	£127	P800	100pcs	35325508	£72
	Magnetic	Polishing	Cloth	s (5 n	ce)							P1000	100pcs	35325558	£72
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Mag-F		42251013	_	4.5	e grinding							P2400	100pcs	35225758	£280
Mag-F	Paran-S	42252013	£1	33	-6µm							P4000	100pcs	35225908	£280

Mag-Plaran	42251013	£111	Fine grinding	
Mag-Paran-S	42252013	£133	15-6µm	
Mag-Silk	42254013	£141	Polishing	
Mag-Daran	42252513	£111	6-1µm	
Mag-Ramda	42253013	£87		
Mag-Moran	42255013	£132	Polishing	
Mag-Moran-U	42255113	£97	3µm	
Mag-Plural	42256013	£111		
Mag-Napal	42257013	£111	Fine polishing	
Mag-Chemal	42259013	£133	1µm or less	

#### **Magnetic Adaption**

Aka-Rhaco	75151252	£113
Aka-Rhaco Flex	75152252	£93
Aka-Rhaco PSA	75153252	£93
Aka-Magnet	75110251	£49

Aka-Rhaco, Aka-Rhaco Flex and Aka-Rhaco PSA sold in packs of 2. Aka-Magnet sold in packs of 1

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100pcs 35230908 £396

100pcs 35830808 £173

**Hermes SiC Paper** 

# 300mm (12") Grinding & Polishing Consumables

	Aka-Piat	to (1pc)			Aka-Piatt	o+ (1pc)			Aka-Al	legran (2pcs)	)	Rha	co-Grit P	lain Pan	er
80	Red-Brown	31213010	£162	80	Red-Brown	31413010	£217	9	Grey	33413022	£153	P80	50pcs	35330107	£71
120	Yellow-Ochre	31213020	£130	120	Yellow-Ochre	31413020	£174	6	Red	33413032	£141	P120	50pcs	35330207	£63
220	Green	31213030	£113	220	Green	31413030	£151	3	Blue	33413042	£141	P180	100pcs	35330258	£106
600	Blue	31213045	£113	600	Blue	31413045	£151	1	Buff	33413052	£141	P220	100pcs	35330308	£100
1200	Black	31213060	£113	1200	Black	31413060	£151					P320	100pcs	35330358	£100
2400	Pink	31213075	£147						Aka-La	argan (2pcs)		P500	100pcs	35330408	£100
4000	White	31213090	£147					9	Grey	33213022	£141	P800	100pcs	35330508	£100
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Mag-F		42301013 42302013	£1		e grinding -6µm							P2400	100pcs	35230758	£396

Mag-Plaran	42301013	£141	Fine grinding
Mag-Paran-S	42302013	£181	15-6µm
Mag-Silk	42304013	£174	Polishing
Mag-Daran	42302513	£141	6-1µm
Mag-Ramda	42303013	£91	
Mag-Moran	42305013	£170	Polishing
Mag-Moran-U	42305113	£123	3µm
Mag-Plural	42306013	£141	
Mag-Napal	42307013	£141	Fine polishing
Mag-Chemal	42309013	£181	1µm or less

#### **Magnetic Adaption**

Aka-Rhaco	75151302	£136
Aka-Rhaco Flex	75152302	£108
Aka-Rhaco PSA	75153302	£108
Aka-Magnet	75110301	£54

Aka-Rhaco, Aka-Rhaco Flex and Aka-Rhaco PSA sold in packs of 2. Aka-Magnet sold in packs of 1

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# 350mm (14") Grinding & Polishing Consumables

Aka-Piatto (1pc)									
80	Red-Brown	31213510	£224						
120	Yellow-Ochre	31213520	£182						
220	Green	31213530	£157						
600	Blue	31213545	£157						
1200	Black	31213560	£157						

Aka-Piatto+ (1pc)		Aka-All	egran (2pcs)	Rhaco-Grit Plain Pape	
Not available in 350mm ø	9	Grey	33413522	£220	Not available in 350mm ø
	6	Red	33413532	£203	
	3	Blue	33413542	£203	
	1	Buff	33413552	£203	
		Aka-La	rgan (2pcs)		
	9	Grey	33213522	£203	

#### Magnetic Polishing Cloths (5 pcs)

Mag-Plaran	42201013	£210	Fine grinding	
Mag-Paran-S	42202013	£275	15-6µm	
Mag-Silk	42204013	£243	Polishing	
Mag-Daran	42202513	£210	6-1µm	
Mag-Ramda	42203013	£153		
Mag-Moran	42205013	£254	Polishing	
Mag-Moran-U	42205113	£178	3µm	
Mag-Plural	42206013	£210		
Mag-Napal	42207013	£210	Fine polishing 1µm or less	
Mag-Chemal	42209013	£275		

#### **Magnetic Adaption**

Aka-Rhaco	75151352		Aka-Rhaco, Aka-Rhaco Flex and Aka-Rhaco
Aka-Rhaco Flex	75152352	£129	PSA sold in packs of 2. Aka-Magnet sold in
Aka-Rhaco PSA	75153352	£129	packs of 1
Aka-Magnet	75110351	£70	

#### **Grinding Stones 356mm 150 Grit**

Our stone grinding discs are ideal for general metal grinding and fit both Struers™ and ATM© grinding machines with stone adapters.

Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> grinding stone	(1pc)	39136240	£475
SiC grinding stone	(1pc)	39136210	£586
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> grinding stone with base plate	(1pc)	39235240	£639















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# Diamond Suspensions, Oxides and Lubricants

**DiaUltra** and **DiaUltra-Poly** are advanced diamond suspensions using high-quality diamonds and a superior lubrication system. You get the highest material removal, shortest preparation times and best surface quality possible. These diamond suspensions can reduce your preparation time by up to 40%, which means that you can save cost on consumables as well. **DiaUltra** and **DiaUltra-Poly are** recommended for all materials, as long as they are not water sensitive. Only having to dose one liquid - instead of two - makes the preparation easy, trouble-free and reproducible.

**DiaMaxx-Poly, DiaMaxx-Mono, DiaDoublo-Poly** and **DiaDoublo-Mono** are one dose liquid preparations containing both diamonds and a lubricant (Aka-Lube Clear plus) in a permanently stable form that offers excellent and consistent results. Unlike other two-in-one products on the market, they are perfectly compatible with any polishing or fine- grinding surface. The **DiaMaxx** products contain 20ct/l of diamonds while the **DiaDoublos** contain 10ct/l. They contain no oil and are consequently very easy to clean.

Aka-Poly, Aka-Mono, Aka-Poly Plus and Aka-Mono Plus contain no lubricants, allowing you to choose the most suitable one for your project. The suspensions have been developed to ensure that the diamond stays evenly distributed throughout the products. This ensures an outstanding, scratch-free finish is achieved every time. They have been designed for use with semi-automatic systems and are compatible with all manufacturers' dosers. Aka-Poly and Aka-Mono contain 20ct/l of diamonds (up to 50% greater than comparable products on the market) while the Plus products contain 40ct/l leading to exceptional removal rates and cost/time savings.

Our range of glycol based **Water Free Diamond Suspensions** contain less than 0.1% water and are ideal for water sensitive samples. They are all oil-free to ensure easy cleaning and are non-hazardous and non-flammable. **Aka-Poly Water-free** and **DiaDoublo Water-free** are made from non-toxic and non-flammable glycols. **Aka-Stick** and **Aka-Paste** are both water-free and are ideal for manual polishing and for quick charging of new polishing cloths. Both have high diamond concentrations to ensure high removal rates.

Our range of fumed and colloidal **Silica Suspensions** are designed to suit a variety of materials and are available in grain sizes from 0.05-0.2µm. They polish through a combined chemical and mechanical reaction. The chemical etches the surface which is then removed by the soft silica leaving a deformation-free surface. They are designed to prevent the crystal formation common in competing products. Our water-free suspensions are unique on the market.

The Alumina Oxides are virtually pH neutral for final polishing.

#### Lubricants

Our low viscosity lubricants provide an unrivalled combination of removal rates and smooth finish. The low evaporation rates and very stable preparation ensure that they offer consistent lubrication. This reduces the heat produced in the grinding and polishing process.

Aka-Lube Green - a very thin film suitable for high removal in initial preparation stages.

Aka-Lube Red - a thick film giving the best finish for final polishing.

Aka-Lube Yellow - a general purpose lubricant, sitting between Red & Green.

**Aka-Lube Clear Plus** - a polymer based lubricant with an excellent removal rate. It is deal for use with Aka-Poly and Aka-Mono (and their Plus ranges) or any suspension that does not already contain a lubricant.

Aka-Lube Clear - a water-free, non-hazardous and non-flammable version of Aka-Lube Clear Plus.

**Aka-Lube Blue** - water free, very thin lubricant for high removal rates.

**Aka-Lube Blue Concentrate** - a traditional water-free ethanol based lubricant. It requires the addition of ethanol in a ratio of 10:1 to create a thin film for high removal rates.















# **Self-Lubricating Diamond Suspensions**

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		DiaUltra-F	Poly	DiaUltra	a	DiaMaxx-I	Poly	DiaMaxx-N	⁄lono	DiaDoublo-	-Poly	DiaDoublo-	Mono
	500ml	43628013	£109	43618013	£89	43128013	£109	43118013	£78	43328013	£78	43318013	£44
15µm	2.51							43118016	£227	43328016	£356	43318016	£165
	51	43628017	£879	43618017	£496	43128017	£879	43118017	£427	43328017	£633	43318017	£305
	500ml	43627013	£109	43617013	£89	43127013	£109	43117013	£78	43327013	£78	43317013	£44
9µm	2.51							43117016	£227	43327016	£356	43317016	£165
	51	43627017	£879	43617017	£496	43127017	£879	43117017	£427	43327017	£633	43317017	£305
	500ml	43626013	£109	43616013	£89	43126013	£109	43116013	£78	43326013	£78	43316013	£44
6µm	2.51							43116016	£227	43326016	£356	43316016	£165
	51	43626017	£879	43616017	£496	43126017	£879	43116017	£427	43326017	£633	43316017	£305
	500ml	43625013	£109	43615013	£89	43125013	£109	43115013	£78	43325013	£78	43315013	£44
3µm	2.51							43115016	£227	43325016	£356	43315016	£165
	51	43625017	£879	43615017	£496	43125017	£879	43115017	£427	43325017	£633	43315017	£305
	500ml	43624013	£109	43614013	£89	43124013	£109	43114013	£78	43324013	£78	43314013	£44
1µm	2.51							43114016	£227	43324016	£356	43314016	£165
	51	43624017	£879	43614017	£496	43124013	£879	43114013	£427	43324017	£633	43314017	£305
	500ml	43622513	£109	43612513	£89	43122513	£109			43322513	£78		
0.25 µm	2.51						-			43322516	£356		
	51	43622517	£879	43612517	£496	43122517	£879			43322517	£633		















# **Diamond Suspensions**

		Aka-P	oly	Aka-Mon	10	Aka-Poly	+	Aka-Mond	)+
45	500ml	44128013	£143	44118013	£87	44148013	£201	44138013	£116
15µm	11	44128015	£270	44118015	£153	44148015	£374	44138015	£212
0	500ml	44127013	£143	44117013	£87	44147013	£201	44137013	£116
9µm	11	44127015	£270	44117015	£153	44147015	£374	44137015	£212
0	500ml	44126013	£143	44116013	£87	44146013	£201	44136013	£116
6µm	11	44126015	£270	44116015	£153	44146015	£374	44136015	£212
2	500ml	44125013	£143	44115013	£87	44145013	£201	44135013	£116
3µm	11	44125015	£270	44115015	£153	44145015	£374	44135015	£212
4	500ml	44124013	£143	44114013	£87	44144013	£201	44134013	£116
1µm	11	44124015	£270	44114015	£153	44144015	£374	44134015	£212
0.5	500ml	44123013	£143						
0.5µm	11	44123015	£270						
0.05	500ml	44122513	£143			44142513	£201		
0.25µm	11	44122515	£270		-				

Most of our diamond preparations can be supplied with either poly-crystalline or mono-crystalline diamonds. But which to choose?

Poly-crystalline diamonds are more resistant to fracture under load and consequently produce a more consistent polish. They also last longer since when they do fracture they produce new cutting edges. Mono-crystalline diamonds are, however, cheaper.

Don't forget to factor in the lubricant. The lubricant also has a massive effect on the quality and speed of preparation.

Just email: websales@aptexgroup.com for more information.















# **Water-free Polishing Media**

#### Aka-Stick Poly

9µm	20ml	46027012	£101
6µm	20ml	46026012	£101
3µm	20ml	46025012	£101
1µm	20ml	46024012	£101
0.25µm	20ml	46022512	£101

Other diamond sizes available. Please contact us.

#### Aka-Paste Poly

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15µm	10ml	47028011	£101
9µm	10ml	47027011	£101
6µm	10ml	47026011	£101
3µm	10ml	47025011	£101
1µm	10ml	47024011	£101
0.25µm	10ml	47022511	£101

#### Aka-Poly Water Free

15µm	500ml	44168013	£144
9µm	500ml	44167013	£144
6µm	500ml	44166013	£144
3µm	500ml	44165013	£144
1µm	500ml	44164013	£144
0.25µm	500ml	44162513	£144

#### Aka-Stick Mono

9µm	20ml	46017012	£58
6µm	20ml	46016012	£58
3µm	20ml	46015012	£58
1µm	20ml	46014012	£58

#### Aka-Paste Mono

15µm	10ml	47018011	1	£58
9µm	10ml	47017011	1	£58
6µm	10ml	47016011		£58
3µm	10ml	47015011	7	£58
1µm	10ml	47014011	17	£58















## **Lubricants and Oxides**

#### Lubricants

	Aka-Lube Green				
11	49301015	£27			
51	49301017	£94			
	Aka-Lube Yellow				
11	49401015	£27			
51	49401017	£94			
	Aka-Lube Red				
11	49501015	£27			
51	49501017	£94			
A	ka-Lube Clear Plu	S			
11	49201015	£32			
51	49201017	£108			
Aka-	Lube Clear Water	Free			
11	49101015	£37			
51	49101017	£126			
	Aka-Lube Blue				
11	49601015	£33			
Aka-Lube Blue Concentrate					
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500ml	49605013	£30			
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#### Oxides for final polishing

#### Alkaline pH 9-10

1I	Colloidal silica suspension 50nm	48161015	£55			
51	Colloidal silica suspension 50nm	48161017	£209			
11	Fumed silica suspension 0.2µm	48123015	£73			
51	Fumed silica suspension 0.2µm	48123017	£290			
Water-free For water sensitive materials						
11	Fumed silica suspension 0.2µm WF	48133015	£112			
1I 5I	Fumed silica suspension 0.2µm WF Fumed silica suspension 0.2µm WF	48133015 48133017	£112 £424			
51		48133017				
51	Fumed silica suspension 0.2µm WF	48133017				

#### Fumed or colloidal silica?

Fumed silica is made in a flame oxidizing process which produces crystals about 40nm in size. However, these then clump forming aggregates with a grain size of between 0.12 and 0.2µm. (0.2µm equivalent to StruersTM OP-S). Colloidal silica is made in a wet process that is very uniform and does not lead to clumping. Final particle size is about 0.05µm.

Some manufacturers quote a grain size of 0.04µm for fumed silica, despite the fact that the aggregates have a mean size of 0.2µm.















# Sample Preparation Kits for Specific Materials - Demo Kits

We have a wide range of demo kits ideal for improving your sample polishing process. The kits are available in 200mm, 250mm and 300mm sizes and include everything that you need to produce 25-50 samples for your specific preparation route: a step-by-step guide with images showing how each stage should look, grinding/polishing discs, papers and polishing cloths, and 100ml sizes of self lubricating diamond suspensions. The kits are an inexpensive way to test out a new route, typically saving you £60-£190 over buying the items separately. These kits are not kept in stock but are made to order.

	<b>200mm ø</b> £131	<b>250mm ø</b> £152	<b>300mm ø</b> £213
Copper and Copper Alloys	61200110	61250110	61300110
Ceramic Capacitors	61200210	61250210	61300210
Pure Titanium 💗	61200310	61250310	61300310
Aluminium Alloys NEW!	61200410	61250410	61300410
Metallic/Composite Spray Coated Parts	61200510	61250510	61300510
Coated Sintered Carbides	61200610	61250610	61300610
Stainless & Duplex Steels	61200710	61250710	61300710
Titanium Alloys ***	61200810	61250810	61300810
Carbon Composites	61200910	61250910	61300910
Materials of Hardness 50-150 HV	61201010	61251010	61301010
Materials of Hardness 400-700 HV	61201110	61251110	61301110
Materials of Hardness 700-2000 HV	61201210	61251210	61301210
Electronic Components	61201310	61251310	61301310
Cast Iron 🔐	61201410	61251410	61301410
Zinc Coated Steel	61201510	61251510	61301510
Materials of Hardness 150-400 HV	61201610	61251610	61301610
Nitrided Steel ***	61201710	61251710	61301710
Surface Hardened Steel	61201810	61251810	61301810
Superalloys with Diffusion Coatings	61201910	61251910	61301910
Superalloys NEW!	61202010	61252010	61302010
Ceramic Thermal Spray Coated Parts	61202110	61252110	61302110















# Sample Preparation Kits for Specific Materials - Demo Kits

Example: Our Brass preparation kit contains the items shown below in quantities sufficient to produce between 25 and 50 samples:







Allegran 9 and DiaUltra 9µm

Napal and DiaUltra 1µm















# Portable Polishing Consumables / General Accessories

Our portable polishing consumables are compatible with all major brands of portable grinder/polishers.

Adhesive backed grinding discs - 32mm 100 pcs						
P60	AP13 03	3 00		£25		
P120	AP13 00	3 03		£25		
P240	AP13 00	3 07		£25		
P400	AP13 03	3 10		£25		
P600	AP13 03	3 12		£25		
P1200	AP13 00	3 15		£25		
Self-adhesive polishing cloths - 32mm 25 pcs						
Aka-Daran	410325	516		£36		
Aka-Moran	410350	)16		£39		
Aka-Plural	410360	)16		£36		
Aka-Ramda	410330	)16		£36		
Aka-Napal	410370	)16		£36		
Aka-Silk	410340	)16		£53		
Aka-Moran-U	410351	116		£34		
Aka-Rhaco	751530	)37		£51		
Bottles and Trig	gers			_		
Trigger spray for 250-10	000ml bottles	78200005	5pcs	£23		
Trigger spray bottle 250	)ml	78101103	3pcs	£23		
Trigger spray bottle 500	)ml	78101303	3pcs	£23		

#### Portable grinder / polisher spares

Flapper abrasive wheel P240 60x30x70	APFLAP01	25pcs	£125
Controller (110v or 220v)	NE249	1pc	£620
Motor and cord	ENK-250T	1pcs	£750
Motor and cord	ENK-410S	1pcs	£680
Handpiece	BMH-300	1pcs	£330
Handpiece	IH-300	1pcs	£330
Handpiece 45° angle	KC-300	1pcs	£425
Handpiece 90° angle	IC-300	1pcs	£425
Reduction gearbox	RG-01	1pcs	£425
Extension joint	CN-01	1pcs	£320
Foot control	FC-64	1pcs	£120
Rubber 30mm disc holder/3mm shank	PT-030	5pcs	£40
Dressing stick (for Aka-Piattos & Aka-Allegra	ins >400HV)		
Long life dressing stick 25x25x150mm	AP9885	1pc	£11

Our small range of accessories help increase reproducibility and improve consistency. If you don't see what you're looking for, please contact us.











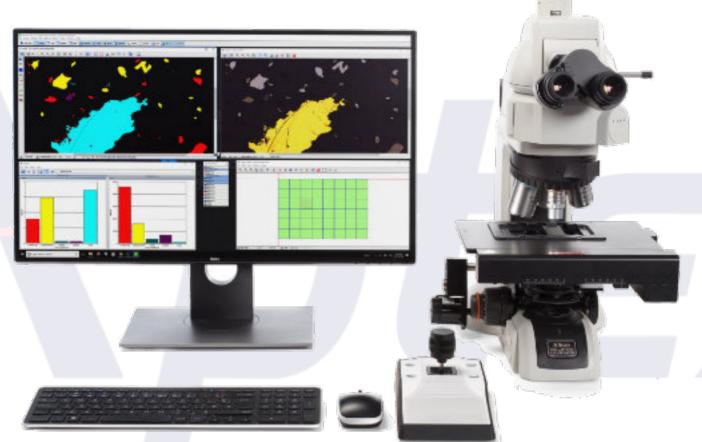


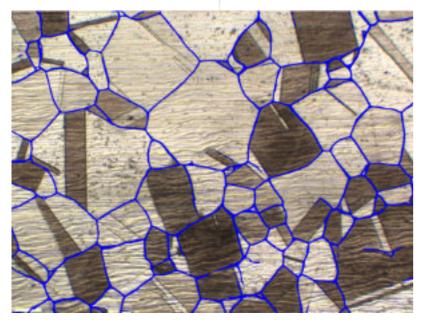


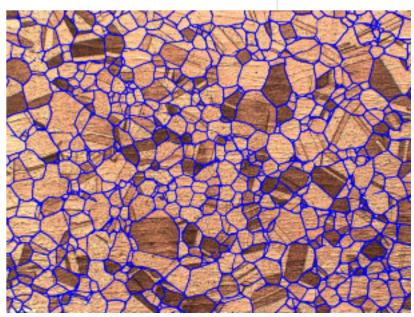
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Cameras/Image Analysis





















# **Microscope Accessories**

#### **Stage Micrometers**

Clemex micrometer, NIST traceable	CL14322	£895
Stage micrometer 1mm into 100 divisions, glass	MTMA285	£125
Stage micrometer 1mm into 100 divisions, metal for reflected light	MTMA292	£265
Glass stage micrometer, 1mm into 100 divisions	TS-M1	£35
Stainless steel stage micrometer, 10mm in 0.1mm divisions with UKAS cert.	PS1R	£420
75x75mm glass stage micrometer 50mm in 0.1mm divisions with UKAS cert.	PS50	£520
Stainless steel stage micrometer, 1mm in 0.01mm divisions with UKAS cert.	PS78	£390
Many other stage migrometers are available. Please contact up for	r details and prices	

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#### Eyepiece graticules (other sizes available - please contact us)

Olympus - eyepiece graticule 24mm diameter U-OCM 10/100	K10017220	£45
Olympus - eyepiece graticule 24mm diameter 35072 U-OCMC 10/100	K10017241	£49
Eyepiece micrometer, 10mm into 100 divisions, 19mm diameter	MTMA280	£55
Eyepiece micrometer, 10mm into 100 divisions, 25mm diameter	MTMA506	£65

#### Odds & Ends...

Hand Press	K10017302	£195
Metal Slide Plates (5pcs)	OL032401	£35
Plasticine	APPLASTICINE	£10
Premium Selvyt Cloth		
250mm x 250mm (10pcs)	APSELVYT	£55
250mm x 250mm (10pcs) Adhesive Spray	APSELVYT  APSPRAY	£55 £10

#### Microscope Bulbs 1 pc

Meiji 6V 10W halogen for PBH stand	MTGE787	£20	
6V 30W bulb	MTMA326	£25	
Meiji 6V 1.2A bulb for PB incident lamp	MTMA560	£17	
Olympus HL-EKE 21V/150W bulb	K10017116	£25	

Olympus 6V 30W halogen bulb	OLE0430150	£11
Olympus 12V 100W bulb	OL035359	£15
Olympus 15V 150W halogen bulb (KL1500)	OLE0433066	£15
Leica 12V 100W bulb	LEBULB	£15















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# **Nikon Microscopes**



MA100



LV150N



MA200



#### **Microscope Servicing**

We are pleased to offer microscope servicing.

£245 for the first microscope and £50 per subsequent instrument at the same location and on the same order.

Minor adjustments and repairs will be performed as part of the service.

For more major repairs please contact us for a quotation.















# **Hardness Testing Accessories**

#### Reference hardness blocks

#### Vickers test blocks with UKAS certificates (specify hardness followed by load)

Nominal hardness block values: 40, 70, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950

Vickers test block (HV2, HV3, HV5, HV10, HV20, HV30, HV50 & HV100)	INBLOCKV		£495
Micro Vickers test block (HV0.01, HV0.025, HV0.05, HV0.1, HV0.2, HV0.3, HV0.5 & HV1)	INBLOCKMV	17	£660
Knoop test block (HK0.01, HK0.025, HK0.05, HK0.1, HK0.2, HK0.3, HK0.5 & HK1)	INBLOCKKP	1	£660

#### Rockwell and Superficial Rockwell test blocks with UKAS certificates (specify hardness scale and hardness value)

HRC Nominal Values are 20 25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60 63 65 67

HRB Nominal values are 20 30 40 50 60 70 75 80 85 90 95 100

Please specify Rockwell hardness scale and hardness value.

Blocks can be supplied with a grid pattern for an additional £40.

# INBLOCKRC INBLOCKRC



£260

#### Brinell test blocks with UKAS certificates (specify hardness scale and hardness value)

Brinell HRW 10/3000 Nominal Values are 100 150 170 200 250 300 350 400 450 500 550 600 650

Low load <187.5kgf (64mm ø x 15mm)	INBLOCKBL		£370
High load >250kgf (150 x 125 x 16mm)	INBLOCKBH	15	£495
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Blocks can be supplied with a grid pattern for an additional £40.

#### Standard Indenters with UKAS certificates

Micro Vickers Indenter	INDENTV01	1	£630	Rockwell B Indenter	INDENTR01	1	£270
Vickers Indenter	INDENTV02	17	£450	Rockwell C Indenter	INDENTR02	15	£350
Knoop Indenter	INDENTV03	1	£630	Brinell Indenter	INDENTB01	17	£300

#### Note:

When ordering an indenter please specify your machine's manufacturer and model number. Other indenters are available. Please contact us.



















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